

## **Chap 1607 (REAP) Buy-Up Program**

Any Soldier in the Ready Reserve, which includes the Selected Reserve (SELRES), Inactive National Guard (ING), and Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) who is eligible for REAP and has remaining entitlement **may at any time contribute up to \$600 for the purpose of receiving an increased monthly** payment rate. ARNG Soldiers that separated from the SELRES between 28 January 2008 and one year from the effective date of the policy and returned to a civilian status may contribute to the REAP Buy-Up Program by following the procedures described below.

Former ARNG Soldiers who are currently serving in the IRR: Contact the USAR to make a REAP Buy Up contribution. The USAR-IRR can be contacted at [mgib.support@conus.army.mil](mailto:mgib.support@conus.army.mil)

ARNG Soldiers (SELRES, ING): Contributions for the REAP Buy-Up Program will be collected by the ARNG GI Bill Support Team. **Interested ARNG Soldiers must follow this procedure:**

(1) Complete and sign the REAP Buy-Up enrollment form. This form must be completed EVERY time a contribution is made.

(2) Mail the completed REAP Buy-Up enrollment form, a copy of the DD Form 214 from the most recent REAP qualifying mobilization, and a **Certified Check or Money Order** (NO personal checks) for not less than \$20 and not more than \$600 made payable **to the "U.S. Department of Treasury"** to the following address:

ARNG Education Support Center  
Attn: REAP Buy-Up Program  
P.O. Box 46, Camp Robinson  
North Little Rock, Arkansas 72199

NOTE: If multiple payments are made, the DD Form 214 should only be included with the FIRST payment.

(3) The ARNG GI Bill Support Team will send an electronic copy of the DD Form 2366-1 marked to reflect the REAP Buy Up contribution and DD Form 1131 Cash Collection Voucher, as well as a photocopy of the Certified Check or Money Order, **to the Soldier's AKO email account upon completion of the Buy-Up enrollment process.** The Team will also upload these documents into the Soldier's Official Military Personnel File (OMPF) in iPERMS.

(4) It is the Soldier's responsibility to provide the DVA with a copy of the DD Form 2366-1(s), DD Form 1131(s), and a copy of their DD Form 214(s) for ALL REAP qualifying mobilization periods in order to request monthly REAP benefits.

Soldiers are eligible to receive their additional Buy-Up payments beginning the first **enrollment period after the contribution was made.**

## APPENDIX A

### Reserve Educational Assistance Program (REAP) Chapter 1607 BUY-UP PROGRAM

The Reserve Educational Assistance Program Chapter 1607 (10 U.S.C. 16162) Buy-Up program provides additional educational assistance to members of the reserve components called or ordered to active service in response to a contingency operation or national emergency declared by the President or Congress.

1. Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ SSN: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last, First, MI)

2. Home Mailing Address (Street, Apartment No., City, State and Zip Code)

3. State of Assignment:

4. Day Time Telephone Number with Area Code:

5. AKO email address:

6. Military Status: (Check One)

☐ Drilling ARNG Soldier    ☐ Inactive National Guard (ING)    ☐ Individual Ready Reserve (IRR)

7. Enrollment into the REAP Buy-Up program:

I am a member of the Ready Reserve (Selected Reserve, Inactive National Guard (ING) or Individual Ready Reserve (IRR)) who has been mobilized in support of a contingency operation on or after September 11, 2001 with remaining entitlement to REAP benefits. I elect to contribute into the REAP Buy-Up program. In addition to my monthly REAP benefit, I understand for every \$20 contributed the Department of Veterans Affairs will increase my monthly REAP payment by \$5. A full \$600 contribution will increase my monthly payment rate by \$150. If I utilize the full 36 months of REAP entitlement I will receive a total of \$5,400 in Buy-Up payment increases for my \$600 contribution. These rate increases are based on full-time attendance. Payments for less than full-time attendance are pro-rated. If I elect to convert my REAP benefits to Chapter 33, the Post-9/11 Veteran's Educational Assistance Act of 2008, I understand I will not receive a refund from my Buy-Up contribution nor will I receive an any additional monthly payment increase from this Buy-Up program.

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(Initials)

8a. Contribution Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ 8b. Money Order or Cashiers Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_

9. SERVICEMEMBER

a. SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ b. DATE SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_  
(yyyymmdd)

10. NGB OFFICIAL OR DESIGNEE

NAME (Print) (Last, First)

SIGNATURE

DATE SIGNED  
(yyyymmdd)

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